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Ald. Chantia Lewis (414) 286-2868

String of daytime burglaries prompts warnings from Ald. Lewis, MPD

Residents of the far North Side should be on the lookout for suspicious people in their neighborhoods, Alderwoman Chantia Lewis said, following a string of burglaries in the Menomonee River Hills neighborhood and the surrounding area.

Throughout the last month, around a dozen burglaries have been reported in the general area north of W. Mill Road and N. 84th Street. Alderwoman Lewis said many of the crimes occurred in broad daylight.

"These crimes have been particularly brazen in nature," Alderwoman Lewis said.

"We need our neighbors to lock their doors, look out for one another's property and immediately call the authorities if they see anything suspicious."

Alderwoman Lewis offered this advice for citizens to protect their neighborhoods:

- Call the police if you observe anyone walking through your neighborhood who seems unfamiliar to you, or who is acting strangely, looking around suspiciously, walking slowly, rattling windows or ringing doorbells.
- Be aware when you leave your home and check your surroundings. If you see something suspicious, go back inside and call police immediately.
- Be mindful of your routines and patterns around the house, and vary them. For example, do not leave the house at the same time every day.
- Never hesitate to call the police non-emergency number (414-933-4444 ext.
 9) or feel that your call is a waste of time, and call 911 for crime in progress.